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# VIRGINIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION

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Dear Virginia Oral Surgery Provider:

We are writing to you as an oral surgeon because we know the essential role that you play in the delivery of comprehensive dental care.

As you may know there was a 28% increase in dental fees which took place on July 1, 2005. The DMAS Dental Advisory Committee decided to target an additional 2% increase in dental fees for extraction/impaction codes, conscious sedation and root canals, which are commonly billed by oral surgeons. The targeted rate increases were adopted to attract additional dentists, particularly oral surgeons, who perform these services into the *Smiles for Children* network.

The new rate schedule for these targeted services is enclosed. The complete *Smiles for Children* dental fee schedule for all covered procedures can be obtained by visiting the DMAS website at [www.dmas.virginia.gov](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov) and selecting the *Smiles for Children* link.

If you now participate in the *Smiles for Children* program, we truly appreciate your continued participation and support. If you are not yet a participating provider, we encourage you to review the updated rate information carefully and sign up. The new program is getting outstanding reviews as it offers industry-standard administration, flexible claims filing options, timely reimbursement, a dedicated call center and streamlined authorization requirements.

We encourage you to contact Doral Dental, USA at 1-800-341-8478. They will be glad to send you a provider application package and assist you with any questions you may have.

Please join your dental colleagues who are already serving the Commonwealth in this vital mission.

Sincerely,

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